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FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE HB 1352 WHICH PROPOSES TO SUBJECT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, HB 1352 proposes to make the City of Atlanta liable for up to \$10,000 fines every time a public works crew fails to locate an underground utility line before beginning construction; and

WHEREAS, HB 1352 also establishes other burdensome requirements; and

WHEREAS, potential fines and disciplinary hearings come impede or prevent the City of Atlanta from complying with the federal consent decrees relating to water and sewer repairs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNICL OF ATLANTA as follows:

Section 1: That the 2004 Georgia General Assembly is urged to oppose HB 1352.

Section 2: That the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this Resolution to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and all members of the 2004 Georgia General Assembly.